

Los Angeles Co., Calif. Coroner.  
Report [annual] 1928/29

REPORT OF  
FRANK A. NANCE, CORONER  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
JULY 1, 1928 - JUNE 30, 1929

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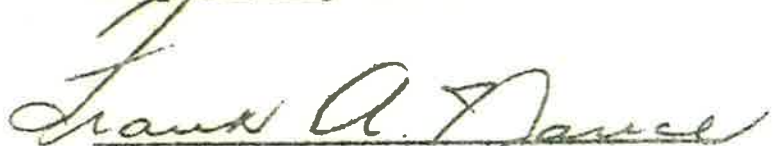
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Hon. Board of Supervisors,  
Hall of Records,  
Los Angeles, California.  
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith a statistical and financial report covering the experience of the Coroner's Office during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1929.

The facts herein set forth present an accurate outline of the work of this department and they are so arranged as to afford a reliable basis for comparing the service performed during this fiscal period with that of other years.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Frank A. Dance".

CORONER, County of Los Angeles

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REPORT OF FRANK A. NANCE  
 LOS ANGELES COUNTY CORONER  
 FOR FISCAL YEAR 1928 - 1929.

July	369
August	350
September	386
October	387
November	384
December	441
January	360
February	377
March	368
April	334
May	369
June	349
TOTAL	4174

TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES HANDLED BY CORONER

4174



# CLASSIFICATION

Motor Vehicle	695
Electric Railway	37
Steam Railway	13
Industrial	171
Aeroplane	25
Asphyxiation	45
Abortions	28
Alcoholism	54
Burns	110
Drownings	53
Electrocution	2
Falls	76
Firearms	18
Homicides	110
Infections	9
Miscellaneous	31
Natural Causes	2237
Poisoning	47
Strangulation	2
Suffocation	7
Suicides	391
Unknown	13
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TOTAL	4174
Male	2855
Female	1319
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TOTAL	4174

Number of cases handled in City	2697
Number of cases handled in County	<u>1477</u>
TOTAL	4174
Number of Investigations made	1327
Number of autopsies performed	<u>2847</u>
TOTAL	4174
Autopsies performed in City	1785
Autopsies performed in County	<u>1062</u>
TOTAL	2847
Number of Toxicological Tests made	4177
Number of Microscopic Examinations	640
Number of Bacteriological Examinations	78
Number of Blood Tests for Carbon Monoxide	38
Number of gross specimens prepared for evidence etc	67
Total number of cases handled in Pathological Laboratory during Fiscal year 1928 - 29	442
Number of Inquests held in City	551
Number of Inquests held in County	<u>402</u>
TOTAL	953
Number of cases referred to District Attorney	369

Miles traveled to conduct investigations and inquests

13750

TOTAL

Miles traveled by Surgeons to perform autopsies  
and to appear as witnesses

22578

Miles traveled by Coroner's Ambulance for  
transportation of bodies

9450

Number of bodies transported by Coroner's staff

2083

Number of bodies transported by Undertakers to

Coroner's Mortuary

212

Number of bodies transported by Private Ambulances

402

Number of bodies transported by Undertakers outside City

1477

TOTAL

4174

Number of Jurors summoned

7411

Number of Jurors served

5246

Number of witnesses subpoenaed and testified

5705

Number of transcripts prepared (Jury Cases)

953

Number of Verdict of Coroner and Autopsy Findings  
prepared (No Jury Cases)

1894

Number of transcript copies filed with County Clerk

953

Number of No Jury Cases filed with County Clerk

1894

Number of transcripts prepared and sold

423

Number of transcripts delivered to District Attorney

369

Number of pages of testimony typewritten

16192

Amount received from sale of Transcripts

\$3792.00

Civil matters (service of process) handled by Coroner where  
Sheriff was disqualified by law to act.

Undertaking on Claim and Delivery 4 automobiles and 1 aeroplane	5
Garnishments	1
Attachments	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	7
Number of Indigent persons buried by Coroner	148
Number of Indigent persons buried by Charitable Institutions	<u>48</u>
Number of Estates of deceased persons (Estates amounting to less than \$75.00) administered by Coroner under Section 4144, Political Code	<u>6</u>
Number of Estates delivered to Public Administrator	85

# AUTOPSIES

	CITY	COUNTY	TOTAL
July	140	75	215
August	138	71	209
September	134	75	209
October	132	80	212
November	161	104	265
December	168	141	309
January	155	86	241
February	190	83	273
March	155	90	245
April	128	95	223
May	126	84	204
June	<u>164</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>242</u>
GRAND TOTAL	1785	1062	2847

Autopsies performed by	CITY	COUNTY	TOTAL
Dr. A. F. Wagner	1561	16	1567
Dr. Frank R. Webb	146	1017	1263
Dr. Lawrence Parsons	<u>88</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>117</u>
TOTAL	1785	1062	2847

Autopsies performed in City of Los Angeles 1785

Autopsies performed in County outside of City of  
Los Angeles 1062

GRAND TOTAL 2847



# INQUESTS

	CITY	COUNTY	TOTAL
July	35	27	62
August	46	31	77
September	31	39	70
October	45	22	67
November	41	45	86
December	45	38	83
January	56	31	87
February	60	44	104
March	56	36	92
April	33	32	65
May	48	32	80
June	<u>55</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>80</u>
TOTAL	551	402	953

Inquests held in City of Los Angeles	551
Inquests held in county outside of Los Angeles City	<u>402</u>
GRAND TOTAL	953

# TRAFFIC FATALITIES

	MOTOR VEHICLE	ELECTRIC RAILWAY	STEAM RAILWAY	TOTAL
July	43	1	2	46
August	47	2	2	51
September	53	2	0	55
October	46	4	2	52
November	59	3	0	62
December	69	2	0	71
January	70	3	3	76
February	77	3	1	81
March	64	4	1	69
April	48	3	1	52
May	52	6	1	59
June	<u>67</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>71</u>
TOTAL	695	37	13	745

Motor Vehicle	695
Electric Railway	37
Steam Railway	<u>13</u>
TOTAL	745

# TRAFFIC FATALITIES

## MOTOR VEHICLE

### NATURE

Auto and Pedestrian	226
Bus and Pedestrian	3
Truck and Pedestrian	32
Truck trailer and Pedestrian	3
Taxi and Pedestrian	2
Motorcycle and Pedestrian	2
Auto and Scooter	2
Bus and Scooter	1
Bus and Bicycle	1
Taxi and Bicycle	1
Truck and Tricycle	1
Truck and Bicycle	4
Auto and Bicycle	<u>3</u>
TOTAL	283
Auto and Auto	146
Auto and Truck	36
Auto and Taxi	1
Auto and Motorcycle	17
Auto and Truck trailer	7
Truck and Truck	4
Truck and Truck trailer	1
Truck and Motorcycle	, 1
Truck and Buggy	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	214

# TRAFFIC FATALITIES

## MOTOR VEHICLES

### NATURE - CONTINUED

Auto and Pole	12
Auto and Tree	9
Auto and Fire Plug	1
Auto and House	1
Auto and Guy wire	1
Auto and Viaduct wall	1
Auto and Bridge failing	3
Auto and Bridge	1
Truck and Pole	1
Truck and Tree	4
Truck and Bridge	1
Motorcycle and Tree	1
Motorcycle and Guard rail	1
TOTAL	<u>37</u>
Auto and Electric Railway	24
Truck and Electric Railway	2
TOTAL	<u>26</u>
Auto and Steam Railway	24
Truck and Steam Railway	4
Motorcycle and Steam Railway	1
TOTAL	<u>29</u>
Auto Overturned	74
Truck Overturned	3
Motorcycle Overturned	2
TOTAL	<u>79</u>
Falls from Auto	24
Falls from Truck	2
Falls in front of Auto	1
TOTAL	<u>27</u>
GRAND TOTAL	695



# TRAFFIC FATALITIES MOTOR VEHICLES

Male	496
Female	<u>199</u>
TOTAL	695

In City	368
In County of Los Angeles outside Los Angeles City	306
Outside of Los Angeles County, death occurring in Los Angeles County	<u>21</u>
TOTAL	695

Electric Railway and Pedestrian	33
Electric Railway and Passenger	2
Electric Railway and Conductor	1
Electric Railway and Bicycle	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	37

Male	28
Female	<u>9</u>
TOTAL	37

In City of Los Angeles	27
In County of Los Angeles, outside of Los Angeles City	9
Outside of Los Angeles County death occurring in Los Angeles County	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	37

Steam Railway and Pedestrian	12
Steam Railway and Passenger	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	13

Male	10
Female	<u>3</u>
TOTAL	13

# TRAFFIC FATALITIES - MOTOR VEHICLES

In City of Los Angeles	7
In County of Los Angeles	5
Outside of Los Angeles County death occurring in Los Angeles County	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	13

Motor Vehicles	695
Electric Railway	37
Steam Railway	<u>13</u>
TOTAL	745

Total Traffic Fatalities in City of Los Angeles	402
Total Traffic Fatalities in County of Los Angeles	320
Total Traffic Fatalities outside County of Los Angeles death occurring in Los Angeles County	<u>23</u>
GRAND TOTAL	745

# TRAFFIC FATALITIES

## MOTOR VEHICLE - (CAUSES)

Crossing street not at intersection	33
Crossing street carelessly	75
Playing in street	10
Walking in street	26
Running in street	25
Pedestrian confused by traffic	16
Driver confused by traffic	4
Improper riding of vehicle	13
Falls from vehicle	9
Falls in front of vehicle	1
Physical defects	3
Intoxication	11
Incompetent handling	89
Exceeding speed limit	100
Reckless driving	2
Failure to signal	3
Driving on wrong side of road	21
Cutting in ahead	1
Cutting corner	4
Passing on wrong side	7
Passing standing street car	1
Glaring head lights	6
Right of way violated	91
Defective equipment -	
Brakes	5
Steering gear	4
Wheel	3
Tire blow out	3

# TRAFFIC FATALITIES

## MOTOR VEHICLE - (CAUSES)

Backing	8
Skidding	11
Car left roadway	15
Drove through safety zone	7
Motorist's negligence at Railroad crossing	42
Driver asleep	10
Defect in road way	7
Weather conditions -	
Fog	4
Rain	7
At work on road way	5
Unknown - found lying in street	4
Flag signal obstructed	2
Stricken with fainting spell while driving car	1
Auto afire	1
View obstructed by umbrella	1
Stepped from loading zone into side of truck	1
Knocked in front of auto by running pedestrian	2
Riding coaster on wrong side of street	<u>1</u>
GRAND TOTAL	695



# TRAFFIC FATALITIES

## CAUSES - CONTINUED

### ELECTRIC RAILWAY

Trespassing on right of way	4
Walking on right of way	3
Crossing right of way carelessly	21
View obstructed by umbrella	1
Conductor leaned out of window, struck head against pole	1
Boy fell down embankment under moving street car	1
Attempting to board moving street car	4
Pedestrian struck by passenger standing on step of street car	1
Fell from street car due to fainting	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	37

### STEAM RAILWAY

Trespassing on right of way	3
Walking on right of way	2
Attempting to board moving train	1
Wheels removed by unknown person (Train wreck)	1
Physical defects (Deaf)	1
Attempting to alight from moving train	1
Crossing right of way carelessly	3
Fell under freight train (this case was handled by Navy Dept)	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	13

GRAND TOTAL 745

# TRAFFIC FATALITIES

## LOCATION

At Intersection	433
Other than intersection	295
On Curve	<u>17</u>
GRAND TOTAL	745

A. M. (Midnight to Noon)	244
P. M. (Noon to Midnight)	<u>501</u>
GRAND TOTAL	745

Male	534
Female	<u>211</u>
GRAND TOTAL	745

Under 1 year	0
1 to 2 years	6
2 to 5 years	29
5 to 10 years	42
10 to 20 years	78
20 to 45 years	286
45 to 65 years	173
65 and over	<u>131</u>
GRAND TOTAL	745

LOCATION OF TRAFFIC FATALITIES OCCURRING OUTSIDE  
OF LOS ANGELES, CO, DEATH OCCURRING IN LOS ANGELES  
COUNTY

State Highway

Valley Blvd near Central Ave

Dale Ave & Ball Road

Santa Ana Canyon

17th St near Alamitos

Santa Ana Blvd near Westminster

Near Banning

Highway near Ventura

Santa Fe Py near Victorville

First Street

Mt. Baldy Road near Upland

Mt Baldy Road near Upland

Highway near Williams

State Highway near San Diego

Highway Near Westminster

Highway near Mono Lake

Coast Highway at Seal Beach

Highway near King City

Valley Blvd near Central Ave

Imperial & 25th Street, San Diego

Highway near Phoenix

At Mojave

Santa Ana Blvd

Seal Beach

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Riverside Co

Ventura Co

San Bernardino Co

Orange Co

San Bernardino Co

San Bernardino Co

Arizona

San Diego Co

Orange Co

Mono Co

Orange Co

King Co

San Bernardino Co

San Deigo Co

Arizona

California

Orange Co

# INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

July	12
August	18
September	20
October	12
November	15
December	17
January	11
February	15
March	14
April	15
May	14
June	8
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TOTAL	171

## NATURE

Electric Shock	15
Burns	15
Falls	56
Crushing	24
Machinery	26
Asphyxiation	2
Explosion	2
Drowning	1
Poisoning	1
Suffocation	6
Infection	10
Animal Injuries	3
Miscellaneous	10
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TOTAL	171



# INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

## LOCATION

In City of Los Angeles	93
In County of Los Angeles	72
Outside of County of Los Angeles, death occurring in County of Los Angeles	<u>6</u>
TOTAL	171

Male	170
Female	<u>1</u>
Total	171

## AGES

10 to 20 years	4
20 to 45 years	115
45 to 65 years	47
65 and over	<u>5</u>
TOTAL	171

# INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS

## CAUSES

### ELECTROCUTION --

While cleaning equipment	6
Came in contact with live wire	3
Steel cable came in contact with live wire	4
Took hold of trolley axel on overhead crane	1
Guy wire on gin pole came in contact with live wire	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	15

### BURNS --

Fell into vat of hot liquor	1
Escaping steam from bursted pipe	1
Caused by faulty connections	1
Oil switch ignited from spark of bus bar	2
Negligent handling of boiler by workmen	1
Fell into vat of boiling water	1
Matches in pocket ignited	1
Gasoline explosion caused by escaping fumes	4
Explosion of gasoline ignited from blow torch	1
Explosion of powder magazine, due to careless handling	1
Explosion of gas in man hole	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	15

### FALLS--

From scaffold due to faulty construction	15
From building under construction	8
From wagon while pitching hay	1
From pier under construction	1
From moving picture set	1
From platform due to stumbling	1
From oil derrick, cause unknown	1
From pile of hay	1
Down elevator shaft, due to carelessness	4
Fell into tank due to slipping	1
Fell from freight car while switching	4

# INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS CAUSES

## FAILS \* CONTINUED

Failure to use ladder as instructed	1
Over rope attached to pulley	1
Through sky light while washing	1
Off Steam Roller	1
From truck while loading baggage	1
From plank on bridge	1
From ladder, lost balance	3
From pole due to faulty spurs	1
From truck due to flapping canvas	1
From window while washing, no safety belt	1
From porch due to broken bannister	1
From window of house while washing windows	1
With falling parachute due to failure to open	2
With disabled aeroplane	1
Fell over wheel barrow	1
TOTAL	56

## CRUSHING --

Struck by barrel being hoisted	1
Struck by swinging boom	1
Struck by tubing finger on oil derrick	1
Struck by falling wall of wrecked building	1
Cave in of trench due to improper shoreing	3
Struck by moving crane	1
Struck by falling pole	1
Struck by falling wall of garage	1
Struck by falling tank	1
Struck by falling lattice work	1
Struck by falling lumber	1
Struck by steam shovel	1
Struck by drill pipe on oil derrick	1
Struck by steel cable	2
Struck by falling steel pipe	1

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS  
CAUSES - CONTINUED

CRUSHING- CONTINUED

Struck by log which fell from truck	1
Struck by falling wall blown down by wind	1
Struck by falling gin pole due to broken guy wire	1
Struck by falling block on oil derrick	1
Fell under moving tractor	1
Crushed in elevator	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	24

MACHINERY--

Struck by elevator links on oil derrick	1
Struck by fly wheel	1
Struck by falling swivel	1
Struck by flying cat head on oil derrick	1
Struck by broken cat line on oil derrick	1
Struck by broken lever on oil derrick	1
Struck by broken fly wheel handle	1
Struck by traveling crane	2
Struck by falling elevator on oil derrick	2
Struck by falling clamp on oil derrick	1
Struck by falling chain tong	1
Struck by polish rod grip	1
Struck by falling boiler	1
Struck by flange on broken lathe	1
Struck by falling brick from elevator	1
Struck by trench digger	1
Struck by piece of broken emery wheel	1
Caught in winch	1
Caught in cog wheel	1
Caught in belt	2
Caught in saw	1
Struck by falling load on oil derrick	1
Struck by falling crane cable	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	26



# INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS CAUSES - continued

## ASPHYXIATION --

By sewer gas while cleaning man hole

2

2

TOTAL

## EXPLOSIONS --

Of steel drum containing cleaning fluid

1

Of water tank on oil well

1

2

TOTAL

## DROWNING --

Fell from pier due to being improperly guarded

1

1

TOTAL

## POISONING --

Cyanide fumes while plating tank

1

1

TOTAL

## SUFFOCATION --

Cave in of trench due to improper shoring

2

Cave in of trench due to landslide

2

Cave in of trench due to vibration caused by passing trucks

1

Covered with gypsum after fall into bin

1

6

TOTAL

## INFECTION --

Punctured finger; septicemia developed

1

Punctured foot on nail; tetanus developed

2

Bruised finger; septicemia developed

2

Bruised hand on screw driver septicemia developed

1

Bruised hand on wire septicemia developed

1

Bruised leg septicemia developed

1

Sliver in hand; septicemia meningitis developed

1

Bruised leg on tractor; infection developed

1

10

TOTAL

## ANIMAL INJURIES --

Attacked by lions

1

Kicked by mule

1

Kicked by horse

1

3

TOTAL

INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS  
CAUSES - continued

MISCELLANEOUS --

Fractured hip while loading crates	1
Injured back lifting cake of ice	1
Struck by timber which was blown from oil derrick	1
Struck by timber which was blown from roof of house	1
Struck head on rafter	1
Struck in abdomen with crow bar	1
Struck by falling rock while fighting fire	3
Struck by falling prop tree on picture set	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	10

GRAND TOTAL

171

# MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

July	34
August	26
September	26
October	41
November	50
December	43
January	44
February	42
March	29
April	28
May	24
June	<u>37</u>
TOTAL	425

## NATURE

Aeroplane	25
Animal Injuries	2
Asphyxiation	45
Burns	58
Drowning	53
Electric Shock	2
Explosions	38
Falls	76
Firearms	18
Infections	<del>10</del>
Poisoning	47
Scalds	14
Strangulation	2
Suffocation	7
Miscellaneous	24
Unknown - Blow or Fall	5

# MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

## CAUSES

### Aeroplane -

Faulty plane	4
Struck by revolving propeller	1
Wing collapsed while stunting	3
Crashed into hill after catching fire	1
Inexperienced operator	2
Mechanical defects	1
Tail spin	2
Nose dive due to incompetent handling	3
Unknown causes	<u>8</u>
TOTAL	25

### ANIMAL INJURIES --

Bitten by dog	1
Kicked by horse	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	2

### ASPHYXIATION --

Motor running in closed garage	3
Gas jets open in closed room	5
Gas heater burning in unventilated room	<u>37</u>
TOTAL	45

### BURNS --

Clothing ignited from gas stove	26
Clothing ignited from gas jet	1
Clothing ignited from incinerator	2
Clothing ignited from candle	2
Clothing ignited from wood stove	1
Clothing ignited from falling stove	1
Bed ignited from cigarette	4
Child playing with matches	11
Trapped in burning building	8
Placed lighted pipe in pocket	1
Burning paper in wood stove	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	58

# MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

## CAUSES

### DROWNING--

Fell over board from boat	1
Fell from dock while intoxicated	2
Fell into reservoir	3
Fell into lake while playing	1
Fell into fish pond (Baby)	3
Fell into cess pool	2
Fell into bath tub (Baby)	2
Attempting to save drowning person	2
Canoe capsized	2
Skiff capsized while fishing	1
While swimming in ocean	15
While swimming in plunge	2
Due to fainting in bath tub	4
Defective diving suit	1
Unknown causes	10
Fell off raft	<u>2</u>
TOTAL	53

### ELECTRIC SHOCK --

Came in contact with electrically charged floor lamp	1
Boy caught hold of live wire	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	2

### EXPLOSIONS --

Gas leakage; caused by street grader	1
Gasoline stove	2
Gas Stove	1
Gas Heater	3
Gas	1
Leaky gas hose	2
Leaky gas connection	3
Heating linseed oil on stove	1
Cleaning clothes with gasoline	6
Gasoline	2

# MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES

## CAUSES

### EXPLOSIONS - continued

Steel drum containing paint solution	1
Struck match in gas filled room	14
Still	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	39

### FALLS ---

From window while directing workmen	1
From window cause unknown	7
From dock to barge	1
From dock due to physical defects	1
From roller coaster due to carelessness	1
From tree while at play	1
From draw bridge while playing	1
From fence while playing	1
From movie set while playing	1
From ladder; broken rung	1
From dock; lost balance	1
From building; cause unknown	1
From platform; slipped	1
From balcony; intoxication	1
From bench to ground	1
From roof of garage	1
From bed to floor	3
From porch; due to heart attack	1
From fire escape; intoxication	1
From porch, due to physical defects	1
From horse due to inexperience in riding	2
From diving platform due to carelessness	1
Down airshaft while drying hair on roof	1
Down stairs due to darkness	1
Down elevator shaft; cause unknown	1
Down stairs due to intoxication	1
Down elevator shaft while playing	2
Down embankment, cause unknown	1



MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES  
CAUSES

FALLS --continued

Down embankment;evading arrest	1
To street due to intoxication	3
To street due to slipping	8
To floor when stricken with epilepsy	3
To ground while at play	1
To pavement while intoxicated	2
To pavement due to stumbling	2
To street while running	1
To floor from chair	2
To floor	1
To floor during basket ball game	1
To floor due to physical defects	3
To bridge due to stumbling ,	1
To floor due to misstep	1
To floor from mother's arms	1
Into grease pit due to darkness	1
Into excavation due to intoxication	1
Tripped over leash tied to dog;fell to street	1

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TOTAL	76
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FIREARMS--

Careless handling	12
Baby playing with revolver	4
While cleaning rifle	1
Struck by stray bullet	1

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TOTAL	18
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INFECTION--

Bruised hand on nail;tetanus developed	1
Stepped on nail;tetanus developed	2
Sliver in foot;tetanus developed	1
Bruised finger on can;septicemia developed	1
Crushed toe;septicemia developed	1
Hurt playing foot ball;septicemia developed	1

# MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES CAUSES

## INFECTION -- continued

Bruised face; septicemia developed	1
Burned feet on hot sand, tetanus developed	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	9

## POISONING --

Chloroform; addict, overdose	2
Veronal; overdose	7
Opium; addict, overdose	1
Aspirin; addict, overdose	1
Canned heat; addict, overdose	1
Denatured alcohol; overindulgence	2
Bootleg liquor; overindulgence	13
Baby ate ant paste	3
Baby drank bootleg liquor	1
Baby drank ant paste solution	2
Baby drank lye solution	2
Baby drank cyanide solution	1
Strychnine; unknown cause	3
Mistook ant paste for honey	1
Drank nitro-benzol; intoxicated	1
Veronal; unknown cause	1
Child ate strychnine pills	1
Botulism; from canned food	3
Baby drank hydrochloric acid	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	47

## SCALDS --

Baby overturned pan of hot water	4
Baby overturned pot of hot coffee	1
Baby fell into tub of hot water	8
Baby being bathed in hot water	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	14

# MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES CAUSES

## STRANGULATION ---

Prune stone lodged in larynx	1
Strangled by belt fastened in wise while exercising	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	2

## SUFFOCATION ---

Face covered with bed clothing	4
Fell into bathtub filled with water	1
Food lodged in throat due to heart attack	1
Unknown cause	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	7

## MISCELLANEOUS ---

Struck by stone thrown by sister	1
Experimenting with home made cannon cracker	1
Cranking auto; back fire	1
Inhalation of flames, while removing auto from burning garage	1
Diving in shallow water	4
Shock following extraction of teeth	1
Struck by piece of broken barrel	1
Struck by skip on concrete mixer (by stander)	1
Struck by piece of emery wheel	1
Struck by grubbed tree	1
Struck by falling plaster	1
Struck head on door (Insane)	1
Crushed in foot ball game	1
Exposure; due to capsizing of launch	2
Baby struck by falling pipe	1
Baby struck by falling flower pot	1
Struck on head by pitched ball	2
Injured in boxing match	1
Piece of meat lodged in throat	1
Baby swallowed piece of wire	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	24

MISCELLANEOUS ACCIDENTAL FATALITIES  
CAUSES

UNKNOWN --

Blow or fall

4

TOTAL

4

Male

293

Female

132

TOTAL

425

In city of Los Angeles

260

In County of Los Angeles

165

TOTAL

425

AGES

Less than 1 year

11

1 to 2 years

23

2 to 5 years

29

5 to 10 years

23

10 to 20 years

54

20 to 45 years

147

45 to 65 years

74

65 and over

64

TOTAL

425

## SUICIDES

July	27
August	35
September	31
October	33
November	36
December	33
January	34
February	39
March	30
April	30
May	23
June	40
TOTAL	391

## NATURE

Asphyxiation by illuminating gas	29
Shooting	163
Strangulation	44
Cutting	17
Jumping from building	14
Jumping from window	1
Jumping from bridge	5
Jumping in front of street car	3
Jumping in front of train	4
Jumping in front of truck	1
Burning	1
Drowning	5
Electrocution	1
Gas explosion	1
POISONING --	
Cyanide	14
Bichloride of mercury	11
Iodine	1
Veronal	10
Arsenic	4

## SUICIDES

### NATURE

Ant Paste	9
Strychnine	12
Lysol	19
Chloroform	3
Carbolic Acid	4
Oxalic Acid	1
Morphine	1
Nicotine (Black leaf 40)	2
Carbon Monoxide	3
Hyosan	1
Chloral - hydrate	1
Cyanide of potassium	1
Fat poison	1
Wood Alcohol	1
Opium	1
Sodium - luminol	1
Nitric Acid	1
TOTAL	<hr/> 391

### CAUSES

Ill health	115
Domestic difficulties	45
Financial difficulties	32
Financial reverses	4
Financial Losses	2
After murder of employer	1
After murder of wife	10
After murder of daughters (Insane)	1
After murder of sweetheart	1
After murder of father-in-law	1
After committing murder	2
Mentally deranged	35



# SUICIDES

## CAUSES

Temporarily deranged	9
Inability to effect reconciliation with wife	4
Inability to effect reconciliation with husband	3
Inability to secure employment	7
Fear of arrest	7
Tired of life	15
Melancholia	3
Loss of position	1
Intoxication	11
Intoxication and melancholia	1
Intoxication and domestic difficulties	2
Grief over death of wife	3
Grief over death of husband	2
Grief over death of child	1
Grief over death of cousin	1
After arrest for burglary	1
Despondency	10
Lack of employment	9
Delirious from prolonged illness	3
Failure in business	4
Unrequitted love affair	2
Despondent over separation from wife	1
Despondent over divorce proceedings	2
Love affair	7
Fear of amputation of legs	1
After attempted murder of wife and friend	1
After attempted murder of wife's sweetheart	2
Despondent over arrest	1
Poverty and old age	1
Fear of prosecution	1
Suspected of murdering wife	1
Unknown causes	23
TOTAL	391



# SUICIDES

Male	289
Female	<u>102</u>
TOTAL	391

In City of Los Angeles	368
In County of Los Angeles	<u>123</u>
TOTAL	391

## AGES

10 to 20 years	7
20, to 45 years	176
45 to 65 years	154
65 and over	<u>54</u>
TOTAL	391

# HOMICIDES

July	13
August	10
September	12
October	7
November	9
December	7
January	11
February	8
March	7
April	7
May	9
June	<u>10</u>
TOTAL	110

# NATURE

Shooting	82
Stabbing	9
Poisoning	1
Drowning	1
Fighting	5
Struck with object	9
Suffocation	<u>3</u>
TOTAL	110
Unjustifiable	87
Justifiable	<u>23</u>
TOTAL	110

# HOMICIDES

## CAUSES

### SHOOTING —

Presumably by bootlegger	1
Domestic difficulties	19
Lover's quarrel	3
Jealousy	3
Interference in love affair	1
Dispute over wages	1
Attempting to escape after robbery	2
Supposed run runner (By Federal Officer)	2
Attempting to escape after hold up	4
Self defense	5
During attempted hold up	7
Resisting bandit	2
Family quarrel	6
Assaulting 3rd person with deadly weapon	1
Shot while committing robbery	3
By deranged person	3
Quarrel over auto damage	1
By bootleg enemies	4
Following party; unknown cause	1
In defense of mother	1
Mistaken for burglar	2
Playing with revolver while intoxicated	1
Resisting arrest	3
Unknown Causes	6
TOTAL	82

### STABBING —

Jealousy	2
Family quarrel	1
During hold up	2
Following puncture of tire	1
Suicide pact	1
Fight over carfare	1
During drunken brawl	1
TOTAL	9

# HOMICIDES CAUSES

## POISONING —

Cyanide planted in liquor	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	1

## DROWNING—

New born babe	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	1

## FIGHTING —

Fell to pavement during fight	2
Fell to sidewalk during fight	1
Quarrel over woman	<u>2</u>
TOTAL	5

## STRUCK WITH OBJECT —

Struck on head with flashlight by Officer	1
Struck on head with object (Unknown)	4
Struck on head with object Baby (Unknown)	1
Struck on head with hammer (Demented)	1
Struck on head with object during robbery	1
Struck on head with object during lover's quarrel	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	9

## SUFFOCATION —

Baby (New Born)	1
Daughters, by demented Father	<u>2</u>
TOTAL	3

GRAND TOTAL	110
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# HOMICIDES

By known person	37
By Unknown person	30
By Husband	10
By Officer	14
By person who committed suicide	12
By insane person	1
By father	1
By son-in-law	2
By Stepfather	1
By son	1
By Bootlegger	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	110

In City of Los Angeles	67
In County of Los Angeles	40
In Kern Co, death occurring in Los Angeles County	1
In Santa Barbara Co death occurring in Los Angeles County	1
In Needles, Calif, death occurring in Los Angeles County	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	110

Male	73
Female	<u>37</u>
TOTAL	110

## AGES

Less than 1 year	4
2 to 5 years	2
10 to 20 years	6
20 to 45 years	75
45 to 65 years	20
65 and over	<u>3</u>
TOTAL	110

# ABORTIONS

## ABORTIONS

28

## CAUSES

Self induced

17

Partial; self induced

2

Criminal; by known person

2

Criminal; by unknown person

1

Criminal by Chiropractor

1

Criminal by Physician

1

Caused by fall to floor

1

Spontaneous

1

Unable to determine whether self induced or criminal

2

TOTAL

28

In City of Los Angeles

19

In County of Los Angeles

9

TOTAL

28

## AGES

20 to 45 years

28

TOTAL

28

# EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Interpreter's fees	31 @ \$3.00	93.00
Postage		126.00
Equipment repairs		328.71
Typewriter repairs		70.52
Telegrams and telephones		308.69
Witness and Mileage fees		33.61
Coroner's transportation		76.40
Auto service		1796.60
Mileage (Employee's auto)		1287.81
Transportation of deceased persons		2010.00
Chemical Analysis examinations		2750.27
Hand writing supplies		13.89
Papers, forms and covers		647.10
Record Books		318.79
Medical and Surgical Supplies		21.90
Embalming Supplies		5718.34
Laboratory Supplies		594.86
Viewing Room Supplies		645.75
Burial of Unknowns		692.50
Laundry		166.67
Burial boxes		22.46
Exhuming		50.00
Mimeographing and Supplies		362.55
Other Office Supplies		184.95
TOTAL		<u>\$18281.37</u>



## SALARIES

Coroner, per annum	6,000.00
1 Chief Deputy	3,600.00
1 Assistant Chief Deputy	2,700.00
1 Deputy	2,700.00
6 Office Deputies	12,495.00
1 Inquest Clerk	2,100.00
3 Stenographic Reporters and Chauffeurs	7,160.00
1 Stenographic Secretary	1,740.00
2 Assistant Stenographers	3,300.00
2 Autopsy Surgeons	9,600.00
1 Chief Embalmer (Male)	2,700.00
3 Embalmers	6,900.00
7 Mortuary Attendants (Male)	11,920.00
1 Mortuary Attendant (Female)	1,740.00
1 Technician	1,840.00
1 Property Clerk	1,980.00
Vacation and sick relief	<u>1,500.00</u>
TOTAL	79,975.00
 Total Amount of Salaries	 79,975.00
Total Amount of Operation Expense	<u>18,281.37</u>
TOTAL	98,256.37

33

Total number of employees

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Estates of deceased persons	13,334.10
Litigants cash	120.00
Sale of Copies of Transcripts	2,755.10
Sheriff's fees	33.05
Sale of Stamps	12.00
Care of Body Fees	23,025.00
County Clerk Fees	<u>749.00</u>
TOTAL	40,028.25

## SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS

Deposited with County Treasurer

### TRUST FUND

Estate of Deceased persons	13,334.10
Litigants cash	120.00

### SALARY FUND

Sale of copies of Transcripts	2,755.10
Sheriff's Fees	33.05
Care of Body Fees	23,025.00
General Fund	<u>12.00</u>
TOTAL	39,279.25
Deposited with County Clerk	<u>749.00</u>
TOTAL	40,028.25